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This was Iowa in the 1980s The state was at the epicenter of a nationwide agricultural collapse unmatched since the Great Depression In When a Dream Dies Pamela Riney Kehrberg examines the lives of ordinary Iowa farmers during this period as the Midwest experienced the worst of the crisis While farms failed and banks foreclosed rural and small town Iowans watched and suffered struggling to find effective ways to cope with the crisis If families and communities were to endure they would have to think about themselves their farms and their futures in new ways For many Iowan families this meant restructuring their lives or moving away from agriculture completely This book helps to explain how this disaster changed children families communities and the development of the nation's heartland in the late twentieth century Agricultural crises are not just events that affect farms When a Dream Dies explores the Farm Crisis of the 1980s from the perspective of the two thirds of the state s agricultural population seriously affected by a farm debt crisis that rapidly spiraled out of their control Riney Kehrberg treats the Farm Crisis as a family event while examining the impact of the crisis on mental health and food insecurity and discussing the long term implications of the crisis for the shape and function of agriculture Lion's Mouth Omar H. Ali, 2011-02-03 Following the collapse of Reconstruction in 1877 African Americans organized a movement distinct from the white Populist movement in the South and parts of the Midwest for economic and political reform Black Populism Between 1886 and 1898 tens of thousands of black farmers sharecroppers and agrarian workers created their own organizations and tactics primarily under black leadership As Black Populism grew as a regional force it met fierce resistance from the Southern Democrats and constituent white planters and local merchants African Americans carried out a wide range of activities in this hostile environment They established farming exchanges and cooperatives raised money for schools published newspapers lobbied for better agrarian legislation mounted boycotts against agricultural trusts and business monopolies carried out strikes for better wages protested the convict lease system segregated coach boxes and lynching demanded black jurors in cases involving black defendants promoted local political reforms and federal supervision of elections and ran independent and fusion campaigns Growing out of the networks established by black churches and fraternal organizations Black Populism found further expression in the Colored Agricultural Wheels the southern branch of the Knights of Labor the Cooperative Workers of America the Farmers Union and the Colored Farmers Alliance In the early 1890s African Americans together with their white counterparts launched the People's Party and ran fusion campaigns with the Republican Party By the turn of the century Black Populism had been crushed by relentless attack hostile propaganda and targeted assassinations of leaders and foot soldiers of the movement The movement s legacy remains though as the largest independent black political movement until the rise of the modern civil rights movement Making the Empire Work Daniel E. Bender, Jana K. Lipman, 2015-07-17 Millions of laborers from the Philippines to the Caribbean performed the work of the United States empire Forging a global economy connecting the tropics to the industrial center workers harvested sugar cleaned hotel rooms provided sexual favors and filled military ranks Placing working men and women at the center of

the long history of the U S empire these essays offer new stories of empire that intersect with the grand narratives of diplomatic affairs at the national and international levels Missile defense Cold War showdowns development politics military combat tourism and banana economics share something in common they all have labor histories This collection challenges historians to consider the labor that formed worked confronted and rendered the U S empire visible The U S empire is a project of global labor mobilization coercive management military presence and forced cultural encounter Together the essays in this volume recognize the United States as a global imperial player whose systems of labor mobilization and migration stretched from Central America to West Africa to the United States itself Workers are also the key actors in this volume Their stories are multi vocal as workers sometimes defied the U S empire's rhetoric of civilization peace and stability and at other times navigated its networks or benefited from its profits Their experiences reveal the gulf between the American denial of empire and the lived practice of management resource exploitation and military exigency When historians place labor and working people at the center empire appears as a central dynamic of U S history **Healing** Robert D. Johnston, 2004-06-01 From grocery store to doctor s office alternative medicine is everywhere A recent survey found that more than two in five Americans uses some form of alternative medicine The Politics of Healing brings together top scholars in the fields of American history history of medicine anthropology sociology and politics to counter the view that alternative medical therapies fell into disrepute in the decades after physicians established their institutional authority during the Progressive Era From homeopathy to Navajo healing this volume explores a variety of alternative therapies and political movements that have set the terms of debate over North American healing methods Helping Farmers Nancy K. Berlage, 2016-07-11 One of the largest volunteer movements in the twentieth century local farm and home bureau organizations have been woefully underrepresented in socio political studies of the American Farm Bureau Federation Nancy K Berlage addresses this omission with an insightful look at how bureau members put university science to work in agricultural and rural life at the local level even while industrialization and urbanization profoundly shifted the landscape of labor in the U S In Farmers Helping Farmers Berlage explores how bureaus served as the locus of science based agriculture for rural communities Drawing on community bonds and culturally powerful metaphors to overcome skepticism bureaus played a critical role in circulating knowledge grounded in the new disciplines of agricultural economics rural sociology home economics veterinary medicine child science and public health Throughout the book Berlage weaves a novel consideration of women's roles into the story of farm and home bureaus noting that these organizations served as places where supporters could grapple with issues beyond farming practices such as child welfare personal health and gender ideals They were also crucial in supporting the organization s underlying mission to strengthen community and family ties to the benefit of more efficient and productive farm In addition to bureau documents Berlage draws from cartoons films photographs and personal correspondence to add a human dimension this organizational history. The resultant analysis offers

a fresh look at the local bureaus social economic cultural and political functions and book highlights the organizations significant influence on American life in the early twentieth century Seeds of Exchange Maria Fedorova, 2025-08-15 Seeds of Exchange examines the US and Soviet exchange of agricultural knowledge and technology during the interwar period Maria Fedorova challenges the perception of the Soviet Union as a passive recipient of American technology and expertise She reveals the circular nature of this exchange through official government bureaus amid anxious farmers in crowded auditoriums in cramped cars across North Dakota and Montana and by train over the once fertile steppes of the Volga Amid the post World War I food insecurity Soviet and American agricultural experts relied on transnational networks bridging ideological differences As Soviets traveled across the US agricultural regions and Americans plowed steppes in the southern Urals and the lower Volga both groups believed that innovative solutions could be found beyond their own national borders Soviets were avidly interested in American technology and American agricultural experts perceived the Soviet Union to be an ideal setting for experimenting with and refining modern farm systems and organizational practices As Seeds of Exchange shows agricultural modernization was not the exclusive domain of Western countries *Legacies of Dust* Douglas Sheflin, 2019-06-01 2019 Choice Outstanding Academic Title The Dust Bowl of the 1930s was the worst ecological disaster in American history When the rains stopped and the land dried up farmers and agricultural laborers on the southeastern Colorado plains were forced to adapt to new realities The severity of the drought coupled with the economic devastation of the Great Depression compelled farmers and government officials to combine their efforts to achieve one primary goal keep farmers farming on the Colorado plains In Legacies of Dust Douglas Sheflin offers an innovative and provocative look at how a natural disaster can dramatically influence every facet of human life Focusing on the period from 1929 to 1962 Sheflin presents the disaster in a new light by evaluating its impact on both agricultural production and the people who fueled it demonstrating how the Dust Bowl fractured Colorado's established system of agricultural labor Federal support combined with local initiative instituted a broad conservation regime that facilitated production and helped thousands of farmers sustain themselves during the difficult 1930s and again during the drought of the 1950s Drawing from western environmental transnational and labor history Sheflin investigates how the catastrophe of the Dust Bowl and its complex consequences transformed the southeastern Colorado agricultural economy Hillbilly Hellraisers J. Blake Perkins, 2017-09-11 Long a bastion of antigovernment feeling the Ozark region today is home to fervent strains of conservative influenced sentiment Does rural heritage play an exceptional role in the perpetuation of these attitudes Have such outlooks been continuous J Blake Perkins searches for the roots of rural defiance in the Ozarks and discovers how it changed over time Eschewing generalities Perkins focuses on the experiences and attitudes of rural people themselves as they interacted with government from the late nineteenth century through the twentieth century He uncovers the reasons local disputes and uneven access to government power fostered markedly different reactions by hill people as time went by

Resistance in the earlier period sprang from upland small farmers conflicts with capitalist elites who held the local levers of federal power But as industry and agribusiness displaced family farms after World War II a conservative cohort of town business elites local political officials and midwestern immigrants arose from the region s new low wage union averse economy As Perkins argues this modern antigovernment conservatism bore little resemblance to the backcountry populism of an earlier age but had much in common with the movement elsewhere Choctaw Resurgence in Mississippi Katherine M. B. Osburn, 2014-07-01 When the Choctaws were removed from their Mississippi homeland to Indian Territory in 1830 several thousand remained behind planning to take advantage of Article 14 in the removal treaty which promised that any Choctaws who wished to remain in Mississippi could apply for allotments of land When the remaining Choctaws applied for their allotments however the government reneged and the Choctaws were left dispossessed and impoverished Thus begins the history of the Mississippi Choctaws as a distinct people Despite overwhelming poverty and significant racial prejudice in the rural South the Mississippi Choctaws managed over the course of a century and a half to maintain their ethnic identity persuade the Office of Indian Affairs to provide them with services and lands create a functioning tribal government and establish a prosperous and stable reservation economy. The Choctaws struggle against segregation in the 1950s and 1960s is an overlooked story of the civil rights movement and this study of white supremacist support for Choctaw tribalism considerably complicates our understanding of southern history Choctaw Resurgence in Mississippi traces the Choctaw s remarkable tribal rebirth attributing it to their sustained political and social activism The Memory of the Civil War in American Culture Alice Fahs, Joan Waugh, 2005-10-12 The Civil War retains a powerful hold on the American imagination with each generation since 1865 reassessing its meaning and importance in American life This volume collects twelve essays by leading Civil War scholars who demonstrate how the meanings of the Civil War have changed over time The essays move among a variety of cultural and political arenas from public monuments to parades to political campaigns from soldiers memoirs to textbook publishing to children's literature in order to reveal important changes in how the memory of the Civil War has been employed in American life Setting the politics of Civil War memory within a wide social and cultural landscape this volume recovers not only the meanings of the war in various eras but also the specific processes by which those meanings have been created By recounting the battles over the memory of the war during the last 140 years the contributors offer important insights about our identities as individuals and as a nation Contributors David W Blight Yale University Thomas J Brown University of South Carolina Alice Fahs University of California Irvine Gary W Gallagher University of Virginia J Matthew Gallman University of Florida Patrick J Kelly University of Texas San Antonio Stuart McConnell Pitzer College James M McPherson Princeton University Joan Waugh University of California Los Angeles LeeAnn Whites University of Missouri Jon Wiener University of California Irvine **Sweet Tyranny** Kathleen Mapes, 2010-10-01 In this innovative grassroots to global study Kathleen Mapes explores how the sugar beet industry transformed the rural Midwest by

introducing large factories contract farming and foreign migrant labor Identifying rural areas as centers for modern American industrialism Mapes contributes to an ongoing reorientation of labor history from urban factory workers to rural migrant workers She engages with a full range of individuals including Midwestern family farmers industrialists Eastern European and Mexican immigrants child laborers rural reformers Washington politicos and colonial interests Engagingly written Sweet Tyranny demonstrates that capitalism was not solely a force from above but was influenced by the people below who defended their interests in an ever expanding imperialist market **Amish Women and the Great Depression** Katherine Jellison, Steven D. Reschly, 2023-11-21 This book examines the role that Amish women played in their community s successful survival of the Great Depression American Carnage Jerome A. Greene, 2014-04-11 As the year 1890 wound to a close a band of more than three hundred Lakota Sioux Indians led by Chief Big Foot made their way toward South Dakota s Pine Ridge Reservation to join other Lakotas seeking peace Fearing that Big Foot's band was headed instead to join hostile Lakotas U S troops surrounded the group on Wounded Knee Creek Tensions mounted and on the morning of December 29 as the Lakotas prepared to give up their arms disaster struck Accounts vary on what triggered the violence as Indians and soldiers unleashed thunderous gunfire at each other but the consequences were horrific some 200 innocent Lakota men women and children were slaughtered American Carnage the first comprehensive account of Wounded Knee to appear in more than fifty years explores the complex events preceding the tragedy the killings and their troubled legacy In this gripping tale Jerome A Greene renowned specialist on the Indian wars explores why the bloody engagement happened and demonstrates how it became a brutal massacre Drawing on a wealth of sources including previously unknown testimonies Greene examines the events from both Native and non Native perspectives explaining the significance of treaties white settlement political disputes and the Ghost Dance as influential factors in what eventually took place He addresses controversial questions Was the action premeditated Was the Seventh Cavalry motivated by revenge after its humiliating defeat at the Battle of the Little Bighorn Should soldiers have received Medals of Honor He also recounts the futile efforts of Lakota survivors and their descendants to gain recognition for their terrible losses Epic in scope and poignant in its recounting of human suffering American Carnage presents the reality and denial of our nation's last frontier massacre It will leave an indelible mark on our understanding of American history The Political Reconstruction of American Tobacco, 1862-1933 Patrick Mulford O'Connor, 2025-06-03 A deeply researched and clearly argued account of the mutual growth of the federal government and the modern tobacco Nearly everything about the United States tobacco economy changed in the generation following the American Civil War From labor to consumption manufacturing to regulation tobacco was utterly reconstructed comparatively a new industry as one contemporary wrote The Political Reconstruction of American Tobacco 1862 1933 exposes the causes of these changes and in the process it reconsiders cornerstones of the American national narrative Through a detailed rendering of tobacco s late nineteenth century political economy this book argues that the

federal state s and American capitalism s development were mutually constitutive and fundamentally political processes From the Civil War to the Progressive Era diverse political movements across tobacco s commodity chain drove state and market development creating the immense power and stifling poverty that defined tobacco s reconstruction The Political Reconstruction of American Tobacco 1862 1933 emphasizes the significance of the thousands of manufacturers whose interest groups shaped federal tax policy and in turn forged a powerful and effective internal revenue system the increasingly influential fertilizer producers and warehouse operators who determined tobacco s value and the crop scientists who sought to promote and rationalize US tobacco production As these actors reshaped tobacco s commodity chain they missed and even dismissed the interests of tobacco growers especially newly emancipated African Americans and smallholding whites throughout the South The ruling logic of tobacco s reconstructed political economy rationalized agrarian indebtedness justified low prices and intensified labor discipline on thousands of small farms In emphasizing these exclusions The Political Reconstruction of American Tobacco 1862 1933 reveals how nineteenth century state and economic development coincided with and even created rural poverty Front Porch Politics Michael S. Foley, 2013-09-17 An on the ground history of ordinary Americans who took to the streets when political issues became personal It is widely believed that Americans of the 1970s and 80s were exhausted by the upheavals of the 60s and eager to retreat to the private realm When they did take action it was mainly to express their disillusionment with government by supporting the right In fact as Michael Stewart Foley shows neither of these assumptions is correct On the community level the 1970s and 80s saw vibrant new forms of political activity emerge Tenants challenged landlords farmers practiced civil disobedience to protect their land and laid off workers asserted a right to own their idled factories Activists fought to defend the traditional family or to expand the rights of women while entire towns organized to protest the toxic sludge in their basements In all these arenas Americans were propelled by their own experiences into the public sphere Disregarding conventional ideas of left and right they turned to political action when they perceived an immediate threat to the safety and security of their families homes or dreams Front Porch Politics is a people s history told through on the ground experiences Recalling crusades famous and forgotten Foley shows how Americans followed their outrage into the streets Their distinctive style of visceral local and highly personal activism remains a vital resource for the renewal of American democracy Rich Indians Alexandra Harmon, 2010 Long before lucrative tribal casinos sparked controversy Native Americans amassed other wealth that provoked intense debate about the desirability morality and compatibility of Indian and non Indian economic practices Skillfully blending social cultu

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